## METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR STORING AND DISTRIBUTING ENCRYPTION KEYS

## 5 Abstract of the Disclosure

A method of key distribution includes generating, by a first system device
(101), key material and forwarding the key material from the first system device
(101) to a second system device (107). It is determined whether a mobile station

10 (401), for which the key material is directed, is active on the system. When the
mobile station is active, the key material is forwarded to a base station (115)
where the mobile station (401) is active, and the base station (115) forwards the
key material to the mobile station (401).

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